Minutes of the Centerville **City Council work session** held Tuesday, June 15, 2021 at 5:30 p.m. with participants present at City Hall, 250 North Main Street, Centerville, Utah.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mayor Clark Wilkinson

Council Members Tamilyn Fillmore

William Ince (arrived at 5:46 p.m.)

Stephanie Ivie George McEwan Robyn Mecham

STAFF PRESENT Brant Hanson, City Manager

Lisa Romney, City Attorney

Bruce Cox, Parks and Recreation Director

Nate Plaizier, Finance Director

Cory Snyder, Community Development Director

Jennifer Hansen, City Recorder

VISITORS Mike Wonenberg, G Brown Design

Todd Meyers, South Davis Recreation District Board

Whitney Ward, VCBO Architecture

Tif Miller, South Davis Recreation Center Executive Director

SOUTH DAVIS RECREATION DISTRICT MASTER PLAN

Tif Miller, South Davis Recreation Center Executive Director, presented a Master Plan for the South Davis Recreation District (SDRD). Whitney Ward with VCBO Architecture answered questions about the Master Plan and the bond proposed to fund improvements included in the Plan to serve the needs of South Davis. Councilmember Mecham said she suspected many Centerville residents did not feel part of the SDRD and wished Centerville had its own swimming pool. Ms. Ward thanked her for the feedback, emphasized that the district was able to provide more services and amenities than would be possible for an individual city, and said SDRD could think about ways to improve outreach.

Councilmember McEwan said he was concerned it would be a difficult year to ask citizens for additional money with construction costs at an all-time high, and increases imposed by multiple taxing entities. Ms. Ward responded that community engagement would gauge citizen support. As a SDRD Board Member, Councilmember Fillmore commented that necessary maintenance for the aging recreation center would be difficult going forward with existing funds. Mayor Wilkinson said he viewed maintenance of the existing facility to be a higher priority than construction of new facilities. Councilmember Fillmore said she agreed, and she believed the rest of the SDRD Board agreed as well.

ISLAND VIEW PARK FUTURE PHASING

City Manager Brant Hanson reported the one-year warranty period on the Island View Park Renovation Project had expired. He commented that shade structures were removed from the project plan because of budget restrictions, but the Council could decide to allocate funds for

additional park improvements over time. Mike Wonenberg with G Brown Design showed recommended shade structures and recommended placement at the park. Mr. Wonenberg said they had not received a formal bid for the full scope of the proposed shade structure work.

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> Mayor Wilkinson referred to shade structures he had seen at parks in St. George, and commented that even with shade structures parks were used less on extremely hot days. Mr. Wonenberg spoke of his experience with shade structures in parks. Councilmember Fillmore asked if G Brown Design had studied whether or not shade structures increased park use. Mr. Wonenberg responded a formal study had not been done, but he had observed that parents' staying power tended to determine how long kids used park equipment on hot days. He stated he believed there was a lot of value in adding shade, but shade would never entirely mitigate heat.

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Responding to a question from Councilmember Ivie, Mr. Wonenberg said the shade structures were engineered to regional requirements, but added there was no guarantee of how the structures would fare in an extreme wind event. Mr. Hanson stated the recommended shade structures were the same structures recently purchased for the Police Department. He added that the top portion could be removed if a heavy wind were expected. Councilmember Ivie said she looked forward to seeing how the shade structures handled changing weather.

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Mr. Wonenberg stated costs had changed so much since the original analysis that a new cost estimate from a contractor would be needed. Mr. Hanson stated a new contract with G Brown Design would be needed to move forward with shade structures. Councilmember Fillmore suggested it was a good time to move away from the focus on Island View Park and put funds into other park projects. Councilmember Ivie said she agreed, and suggested pickleball courts at Community Park as a priority. A majority of the Council appeared to agree with not moving forward with shade structures at Island View Park at that time.

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Parks and Recreation Director Bruce Cox reported a net had been installed west of the tennis courts at Island View Park. Mr. Hanson stated G Brown Design had been a great firm to work with. Mr. Wonenberg responded that Island View Park had been a fun project. Councilmember Ivie said she had heard from several residents they would like a place to sit at the top of the p ark to look west at the view. Councilmember Fillmore suggested benches at the top of Island View Park would be a good amenity for the Parks and Recreation Committee to consider prioritizing. Mr. Cox added that occasionally citizens approach him wanting to donate a park bench or similar amenity. Mr. Wonenberg suggested another picnic table on the north side of the pickleball courts would be nice.

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FENCING ON CORNER LOTS

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Mayor Wilkinson said it had come to his attention that City Code regarding fencing on corner lots was being violated all over the City. Community Development Director Cory Snyder spoke of sight triangle concerns with fencing on corner lots, and explained related Centerville and Syracuse City Code. He commented that many citizens did not consult City Code before installing fencing. Councilmember McEwan asked about City liability, and asked if the City could do anything to change the situation. Councilmember Fillmore responded the Council could change City Code. The Council discussed fencing options for corner lots, as well as accessory buildings. Mr. Snyder pointed out the City required a permit for accessory buildings, but not for fencing. Councilmember Mecham said she preferred Syracuse City Code regarding fencing on corner lots.

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A majority of the Council agreed the Planning Commission should review the topic.

ADJOURNMENT

At 6:59 p.m., Councilmember Ince **moved** to adjourn the work session. Councilmember Mecham seconded the motion, which passed by unanimous vote (5-0).

